



**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)**

**Public Meeting of the National Sea Grant Advisory Board**

**AGENCY:** Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting and notice of solicitation for nominations for the National Sea Grant Advisory Board.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Sea Grant Advisory Board (Board), a Federal Advisory Committee. Board members will discuss and provide advice on the National Sea Grant College Program (Sea Grant) in the areas of program evaluation, strategic planning, education and extension, science and technology programs, and other matters as described in the agenda found on the Sea Grant website. For more information on this Federal Advisory Committee please visit the Federal Advisory Committee database:

<https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/FACAPublicPage>.

This notice also responds to the Sea Grant Program Improvement Act of 1976, which requires the Secretary of Commerce to solicit nominations at least once a year for membership on the National Sea Grant Advisory Board. To apply for membership to the Board, applicants should submit a current resume. A cover letter highlighting specific

areas of expertise relevant to the purpose of the Board is helpful, but not required. Nominations will be accepted by email. NOAA is an equal opportunity employer.

**DATES:** The announced meeting is scheduled for Sunday September 11, 2022 from 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM (EST) and Monday September 12, 2022 from 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Cleveland Marriott downtown at Key Tower in Cleveland, Ohio. For more information about the public meeting see below in the "For Further Information Contact" section.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For any questions concerning the meeting, please contact Ms. Donna Brown, National Sea Grant College Program. Email: [oar.sg-feedback@noaa.gov](mailto:oar.sg-feedback@noaa.gov) Phone Number 301-734-1088.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Status:** The meeting will be open to public participation with a public comment period on Sunday, September 11 at 9:40 AM (EST). The Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of three (3) minutes. Written comments should be received by Ms. Donna Brown by Thursday, September 8, 2022 to provide sufficient time for Board review. Written comments received after the deadline will be distributed to the Board, but may not be

reviewed prior to the meeting date.

**Special Accommodations:** The Board meeting is virtually accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Donna Brown by Thursday, September 8, 2022.

The Board, which consists of a balanced representation from academia, industry, state government and citizens groups, was established in 1976 by Section 209 of the Sea Grant Improvement Act (Public Law 94-461, 33 U.S.C. 1128). The Board advises the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the National Sea Grant College Program with respect to operations under the Act, and such other matters as the Secretary refers to them for review and advice.

#### **Individuals Selected For Federal Advisory Committee**

**Membership:** Upon selection and agreement to serve on the National Sea Grant Advisory Board, you become a Special Government Employee (SGE) of the United States Government. According to 18 U.S.C. 202(a), an SGE is an officer or employee of an agency who is retained, designated, appointed, or employed to perform temporary duties, with or without compensation, not to exceed 130 days during any period of 365 consecutive days, either on a full time or intermittent basis. Please be aware that after the selection process is complete, applicants selected to serve

on the Board must complete the following actions before they can be appointed as a Board member:

(a) Security Clearance (on-line Background Security Check process and fingerprinting), and other applicable forms,

both conducted through NOAA Workforce Management; and

(b) Confidential Financial Disclosure Report as an SGE, you are required to file a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report annually to avoid involvement in a real or apparent conflict of interest. You may find the Confidential Financial Disclosure Form at the following website.

[https://www.oge.gov/web/oge.nsf/ethicsofficials\\_financial-disc](https://www.oge.gov/web/oge.nsf/ethicsofficials_financial-disc).

**Matters To Be Considered:** Board members will discuss and vote on Executive Committee Nominations, an Interim Report to Congress, and a Resilience and Social Justice Recommendations Report.

<https://seagrants.noaa.gov/About/Advisory-Board>

**Privacy Act Statement:** *Authority.* The collection of information concerning nominations to the MCAM FAC is authorized under the FACA, as amended, 5 U.S.C. app. and its implementing regulations, 41 CFR part 102-3, and in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (Privacy Act) 5 U.S.C. 552a. *Purpose.* The collection of names, contact information, resumes, professional information, and qualifications is required in order for the Under Secretary to appoint members to the MCAM FAC.

*Routine Uses.* NOAA will use the nomination information for the purpose set forth above. The Privacy Act of 1974 authorizes disclosure of the information collected to NOAA staff for work-related purposes and for other purposes only as set forth in the Privacy Act and for routine uses published in the Privacy Act System of Records Notice COMMERCE/DEPT-11, Candidates for Membership, Members, and Former Members of Department of Commerce Advisory Committees, available at <https://www.osec.doc.gov/opog/PrivacyAct/SORNs/dept-11.html>, and the System of Records Notice COMMERCE/DEPT-18, Employees Personnel Files Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies, available at <https://www.osec.doc.gov/opog/PrivacyAct/SORNs/DEPT-18.html>. *Disclosure.* Furnishing the nomination information is voluntary; however, if the information is not provided, the individual would not be considered for appointment as a member of the MCAM FAC.

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